



**ADDENDUM NUMBER TWO
FOR CONTRACT FY2014-103**

DATE: February 11, 2014

TO: ALL BIDDERS OF RECORD

BID FOR: **Electric Power Line Construction and Maintenance Project**

This addendum forms a part of and modifies the "INVITATION TO BID AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR BIDDERS" package for the above item scheduled to open February 14, 2014 at 10:00 a.m., local time at the City of Oak Ridge, Central Services Complex, 100 Woodbury Lane, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

ITEM 1 – Questions, Comments and Requests for Clarification received from Bidders

1. Question: On the bonds again, so if I am reading this right, the bonds are to be at 25% of the estimated value of the work over the three year term – correct?

Answer: Yes, bonds for 25% of the contract price (which is for estimated work over a three year term).

2. Question: That is, if the work is funded at three years for \$8 million total over 36 months, then the bond would be 25% of \$8 million or \$2 million – correct?

Answer: Yes, your \$2 million example is correct.

3. Question: Just to be sure on the spec's option years. It is my understanding that if a second three year option term is granted the surety would write a new bond for years 4 - 6 and again years 7-9. If they did not, it would not be an event of default for the surety or contractor. Please confirm this is the City's intent on how the City would structure the surety bond arrangements for this contract.

Please understand a surety cannot expect to be obligated for up to nine years out from this date, but are comfortable in the three year term when the option to write a new bond when the first three year term is up. By way of example we may not handle a contractor's surety bonds two years from now for whatever reason, and maybe they have a new surety relationship. It would be expected the new surety would write the bonds for the second three year term not the surety that wrote the first bond. Make sense?

Answer: Yes, new bonds would be required for each renewal period.

1. Comment: We are requesting an extension to the bid opening date due to weather considerations. We would like to see the bid opening date extended 7 days. We understand that the present date and time is in effect unless notified otherwise.

Response: No extension to the bid opening date will be given.

It is expected that all bidders read the contract document and specifications prior to submitting their bid. The information provided in this addendum along with the contract document and specifications provides each potential bidder the same information to submit their bid.

******* Acknowledge receipt of this addendum when you submit your bid *******